

IN THE CLAIMS

Amendments to the claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-7. (Canceled).

8. (Currently Amended) A resin composition comprising at least one resin component, and a flame retardancy-imparting component, wherein said at least one resin component is selected from the group consisting of:

a thermoplastic biodegradable resin,

a thermoplastic polymer obtained by polymerizing a monomer which is obtained from plant material and

a thermoplastic copolymer consisting of a plant derived monomer and a non-plant derived monomer,

wherein said flame retardancy-imparting component is dispersed in the resin composition [[and]],

wherein said flame retardancy-imparting component is supported on an inorganic porous material before it is dispersed in said resin composition and,

wherein said inorganic porous material on which flame retardancy-imparting component is supported is solid and particulate before it is dispersed in said resin composition.

9. (Previously Presented) The resin composition according to claim 8, wherein said at least one resin component is selected from the group consisting of:

polylactic acid, a lactic acid copolymer and polybutylene succinate.

10. (Previously Presented) The resin composition according to claim 8, wherein said flame retardancy-imparting component is at least one selected from the group consisting of:

a halogen- containing flame retardancy-imparting component, a phosphorous- containing flame retardancy-imparting component, an inorganic flame retardancy-imparting component and a silicone- containing flame retardancy-imparting component.

11. (Previously Presented) The resin composition according to claim 8, wherein the flame retardancy-imparting component is acetylacetonatoiron.

12. (Previously Presented) The resin composition according to claim 8, wherein the flame retardancy-imparting component is acetylacetonatocopper.

13. (Currently Amended) A molded body formed from a resin composition comprising at least one resin component, and a flame retardancy-imparting component, wherein said at least one resin component is selected from the group consisting of:

- a thermoplastic biodegradable resin,
 - a thermoplastic polymer obtained by polymerizing a monomer which is obtained from plant material and
 - a thermoplastic copolymer consisting of a plant derived monomer and a non-plant derived monomer,
- wherein said flame retardancy-imparting component is dispersed in the resin composition [[and]],

wherein said flame retardancy-imparting component is supported on an inorganic porous material before it is dispersed in said resin composition and,

wherein said inorganic porous material on which flame retardancy-imparting component is supported is solid and particulate before it is dispersed in said resin composition.

14. (Currently Amended) A method for producing a resin composition which comprises kneading at least one resin component, and a flame retardancy-imparting component, wherein said at least one resin component is selected from the group consisting of:

- a thermoplastic biodegradable resin,
- a thermoplastic polymer obtained by polymerizing a monomer which is obtained from plant material, and

a thermoplastic copolymer consisting of a plant derived monomer and a non-plant derived monomer

wherein the flame retardancy-imparting component is dispersed in the resin composition and,

wherein the flame retardancy-imparting component is supported on an inorganic porous material before it is dispersed in said resin composition and,

wherein said inorganic porous material on which flame retardancy-imparting component is supported is solid and particulate before it is dispersed in said resin composition.

15. (Currently Amended) A method for molding a resin composition wherein said resin composition is produced by a method comprising kneading at least one resin component and a flame retardancy-imparting component,

wherein said resin composition is molded by an injection molding method or a compression molding method,

wherein said at least one resin component is selected from the group consisting of:

a thermoplastic biodegradable resin,

a thermoplastic polymer obtained by polymerizing a monomer, which is obtained from plant material, and

a thermoplastic copolymer consisting of a plant derived monomer and a non-plant derived monomer, and

wherein said flame retardancy-imparting component is supported on an inorganic porous material before it is dispersed in said resin composition and,

wherein said inorganic porous material on which flame retardancy-imparting component is supported is solid and particulate before it is dispersed in said resin composition.